



MINUTES

HOUSE JUDICIARY STANDING COMMITTEE

LEGISLATURE

Friday, February 18, 2022 | 8:00 a.m. | 110 Senate Building

Members Present:

Rep. Jon Hawkins, Chair
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee, Vice Chair
Rep. Nelson T. Abbott
Rep. Cheryl K. Acton
Rep. Kera Birkeland
Rep. Brady Brammer
Rep. Brian S. King

Rep. Stephanie Pitcher
Rep. Judy Weeks Rohner
Rep. Travis M. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Lowry Snow
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley

Staff Present:

Jonathan Adams, Policy Analyst
Jordan Gage, Committee Secretary

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at www.le.utah.gov.

Chair Hawkins called the meeting to order at 8:11 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Rohner moved to approve the minutes from the February 16, 2022 meeting. The motion passed with a vote of 7 - 0 - 5.

Yeas - 7

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. J. Hawkins
Rep. B. King
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 5

Rep. C. Acton
Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. V. Snow

1. H.B. 363 Modifications to Civil Commitment (*Eliason, S.*)

Rep. Steve Eliason presented the bill with the assistance of Doug Gray, MD, and Jared Meyer, Executive Director, Cicero Action, and Clark Aposhian, Chairman, Utah Shooting Sports Council.

Rep. Brammer assumed the chair.

Sherri Wittwer commented on the bill.

Ginger Phillips spoke against the bill.

Michelle McOmber, CEO, Utah Medical Association, spoke in favor of the bill.

Nate Crippes, Public Affairs Supervising Attorney, Disability Law Center, spoke against the bill.

Taryn Hiatt, American Foundation of Suicide Prevention, commented on the bill.

Rena Rogers spoke against the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Abbott moved to replace H.B. 363 with 1st Substitute H.B. 363. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Hawkins

MOTION: Rep. Brammer moved to go to the next item on the agenda. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Hawkins

2. H.B. 257 Public Prosecutor Modifications (*Christofferson, K.*)

Rep. Lisonbee assumed the chair.

Rep. Kay Christofferson presented the bill.

Jeff Buhman, Executive Director, Statewide Association of Prosecutors, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ben Aldana commented on the bill.

Thomas Brunner, Deputy Solicitor General, Utah Attorney General's Office, commented on the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Brammer moved to replace H.B. 257 with 1st Substitute H.B. 257. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Hawkins

MOTION: Rep. Brammer moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 257 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9 - 1 - 2.

Yeas - 9

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 1

Rep. S. Pitcher

Absent - 2

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Hawkins

MOTION: Rep. King moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10 - 0 - 2.

Yeas - 10

Rep. N. Abbott
Rep. C. Acton
Rep. B. Brammer
Rep. B. King
Rep. K. Lisonbee
Rep. S. Pitcher
Rep. J. Rohner
Rep. T. Seegmiller
Rep. V. Snow
Rep. M. Wheatley

Nays - 0

Absent - 2

Rep. K. Birkeland
Rep. J. Hawkins

Chair Lisonbee adjourned the meeting at 9:21 a.m.